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SUBJECT: NATO MAINTENANCE & SUPPLY AGENCY (NAMSA) RECRUITMENT -  
NAMSA GENERAL MANAGERSHIP (GS-340-18 (FD-1))

SUBJECT POSITION WILL BECOME VACANT ON 1 JULY 1978. ANY  
U.S. NOMINATION, WITH COMPLETED NAMSA PERSONNEL FORM, SHOULD  
REACH USNATO NOT LATER THAN 15 MARCH 1977. POSITON  
DESCRIPTION FOLLOWS.

BEGIN TEXT:

POSITION DESCRIPTION TITLE: NAMSA GENERAL MANAGER  
SUPERVISORY CONTROLS SER. & GRADE: GS-340-18 (FD-1)  
THE GENERAL MANAGER OF NAMSA WORKS UNDER THE SUPERVISION  
OF THE NAMSO BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND WORKS WITH THE BOARD  
CHAIRMAN AND THE NAMSO SUBSIDIARY COMMITTEES. WORK IS  
ACOMPLISHED INDEPENDENTLY.

MAJOR DUTIES:

DIRECTS THE OPERATIONS OF THE NATO MAINTENANCE AND SUPPLY  
AGENCY (NAMSA). THE NATO MAINTENANCE AND SUPPLY ORGANIZATION  
(NAMSO) IS GOVERNED BY A BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON WHICH ARE  
REPRESENTED ALL FOURTEEN MEMBER COUNTRIES AND WHICH REPORTS TO  
THE NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL. THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS IS ASSISTED  
BY TWO SUBSIDIARY COMMITTEES OF NATIONAL REPS, THE  
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LGISTICS COMMITTEE AND THE FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE.  
THE TASK OF CARRYING OUT THE FUNCTIONS OF THE ORGANIZATION IN  
ACCORDANCE WITH DIRECTIVES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS IS ENTRUSTED  
TO NAMS AND ITS OPERATIONAL CENTERS. ORGANIZATIONAL STRENGTH  
IS APPROXIMATELY 800.

1. PLANS THE WORK OF THE NATO MAINTENANCE AND SUPPLY  
AGENCY TO ACHIEVE OPTIMUM PERFORMANCE LOGISTIC TASKS  
ASSIGNED TO THE ORGANIZATION AND TO ENCOURAGE THE ASSIGNMENT OF

THOSE ADDITIONAL TASKS WHICH CAN RESULT IN ECONOMIES IN, OR IN  
ENHANCEMENT IN EFFECTIVENESS OF, LOGISTIC SUPPORT FOR WEAPON  
SYSTEMS COMMON TO MEMBER COUNTRIES. ACTS INDEPENDENTLY IN  
TAKING INITIATIVES TO ACHIEVE THE FOREGOING OBJECTIVES. DEFENDS  
AGENCY PROPOSALS BEFORE SUBSIDIARY COMMITTEES AND THE BOARD OF  
DIRECTORS TO OBTAIN AGREEMENT BY NAMSO MEMBER COUNTRIES.

2. DEVELOPS AND IMPLEMENTS PLANS AND PROPOSALS IN THE  
FIELD OF:

LOGISTICS (SUPPLY, MAINTENANCE, TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE);  
FINANCE;  
PROCUREMENT;  
ADMINISTRATION (ORGANIZATION, PERSONNEL).

3. SHOULD POSSESS FAMILIARITY WITH NATO AND NAMSO AND  
HAVE EXPERIENCE IN NEGOTIATING AT THE INTERNATIONAL LEVEL.

4. SHOULD, DESIRABLY, BE FLUENT IN OR, AS A MINIMUM,  
HAVE WORKING KNOWLEDGE OF, FRENCH.

EXPLANATORY COMMENT:

NAMSO- A NATO ENDEAVOR, SINCE 1958, IN WHICH FOURTEEN  
COUNTRIES, INCLUDING THE UNITED STATES, RECOGNIZING THE  
INCREASING COST AND COMPLEXITY OF MODERN WEAPONRY, SEEK TO  
ACHIEVE THROUGH JOINT LOGISTIC EFFORTS THE ADVANTAGES OF  
LOWER COSTS AND INCREASED EFFECTIVENESS. THESE EFFORTS EXTEND  
TO THE ESTABLISHMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF COMMON SYSTEMS OF  
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SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE SUPPORT, INCLUDING CENTRALIZED STOCKAGE  
AND PROCUREMENT SERVICES. NATO WEAPONS PRODUCTION  
ORGANIZATIONS ENTER INTO ARRANGEMENTS WITH NAMSO TO ENSURE  
STANDARDIZATION OF LOGISTIC PROCEDURES AND SELECTIVE  
UTILIZATION OF NAMSA SERVICES. NAMSA HAS A CONTINUING ROLE  
OF ENHANCING ITS RESPONSIVENESS TO MEMBER REQUIREMENTS TO  
ENSURE MAXIMUM LOGISTIC AND OPERATIONAL READINESS OF FORCES  
IN ALLIED COMMAND EUROPE. END TEXT. STRAUSS-HUPE'

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